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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
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Re: D.T.E. 03-98

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Massachusetts Electric Company ("Company") hereby gives notice that it does not request the presence of the witnesses designated by the Petitioners as the sponsors of the Petitioners' responses to the Company's Information Requests at the evidentiary hearing on March 8, 2004.

At the February 25, 2004 evidentiary hearing in the above-captioned matter, Hearing Officer Jody Stiefel required the Petitioners to refile their responses to the Information Requests proffered by the Company with a person responsible for the information designated on each request. (February 25, 2004 transcript, p. 366) Mr. Stiefel then stated that, if necessary, the Company could request that these witnesses be brought back for further cross-examination. (February 25, 2004 transcript, p. 367) Upon review of the Petitioners' revised responses to the Company's Information Requests, the Company has determined that it does not request the witnesses' presence for cross-examination.

Under separate cover, the Company is hand delivering the pre-filed direct testimony of Alex J. Mango, John B. Currie, and Theresa M. Burns to the Department, and sending a hard copy to John Shortsleeve by overnight mail. These witnesses will be available at the hearing on March 8, 2004 for cross examination.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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